

COMMON METHOD FOR COMMUNICATING AREA INFORMATION

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

5 A method for providing a common framework for area of interest (AOI)
specification and access. The method includes providing a first set of
instructions which generates an area of interest (AOI) defined by a first
geometric shape and defining the first geometric shape by one or more
coordinates. The one or more coordinates are then converted to a second set of
10 coordinates for use with a second set of instructions. The second set of
coordinates is defined by a new AOI which includes information associated with
the first set of instructions and which is interpreted by the second set of
instructions.